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Letter dated 31 March 1992 from the Permanent Representative
of Italy to the United Nations Office at Geneva addressed to
the Chairman of the Preparatory Committee

At the latest session of the Commission on Human Rights, Italy had stated that it was willing to consider hosting the World Conference in Venice. Accordingly, on 4 March 1992 an evaluation team including two senior United Nations officials visited the available premises and facilities, so as to work out organizational matters. The period in which the Conference might be held has, in principle, been set for the second half of May 1993.

As you know, Italy is on the eve of general elections, scheduled for 5 and 6 April 1992. Consequently, it will be for the next Government to make a formal proposal, as soon as possible, on arrangements to organize the World Conference on Human Rights in Italy.

In view of Italy's interest in hosting the Conference, the Italian delegation urges the Preparatory Committee to consider the possibility of postponing a decision for a few weeks on the venue of the Conference, bearing in mind the institutional exigencies I have mentioned.

I would ask you to circulate the present communication as an official document, under agenda item 7, of the second session of the Preparatory Committee, being held at Geneva.

(Signed) Giulio di Lorenzo Badia